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Closure Order Cancelled

Silverwood Lake State Park Reopens

SILVERWOOD LAKE SRA – California State Parks has rescinded the emergency closure order issued Friday for the Silverwood Lake State Recreation Area due to a break in the main sewage treatment pipeline serving the park.

Effective immediately, the majority of the park is open and back on the reservation system for camping and boating, State Park officials said today.

“The good news,” said State Parks’ District Superintendent Gary Watts, “is that once we got into the damage site, we learned that the water line was not damaged as originally thought. Only the sewage line was damaged, and so we were able to make repairs much quicker than first thought. Those repairs have now been completed and we have reopened the park.”

However, State Parks said the public needs to understand that work crews are still working on an extensive cleanup of the park following the winter floods. The Cleghorn day use area is still closed, as is Miller Canyon, but the campground and Sawpit and the Black Oak day use areas are fully open

Watts said the pipe break occurred in the area of the State Highway 138 and Cleghorn Road interchange, where slope protection materials for the Highway 138 bridge settled, pushing up against and cracking the line. Work crews worked through the weekend to expedite the repairs. It is believed that the recent series of heavy storms that has swept through Southern California contributed to the cause, since there have been numerous mud slides in the area of the pipe breaks.

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